

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Donald J. Merkley et al.
Application No.: 09/970,389
Filing Date: October 2, 2001
Group Art Unit: 1791
Examiner: Mark Halpern
Confirmation No.: 9683
For: Method and Apparatus for Reducing Impurities in
Cellulose Fibers for Manufacture of Fiber Reinforced
Cement Composite Materials

VIA EFS-Web
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR FILING

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following:

- This Transmittal Letter (2 pgs);
- Reply to the outstanding Office Action of May 27, 2010 (22 pgs);
- Information Disclosure Statement including Forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB08b (4 pgs);
- Form PTO/SB/64 (2 pgs);
- Petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(m); and
- A statement required under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b).

Applicants believe that the appropriate fees due at this time, including petition and excess claims fees, are being paid. To the extent that any further fees, whatsoever, are required now or

at any time during prosecution of this application, including petition and extension fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees, including, for example, any under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, to Deposit Account No. 07-0153 of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP and reference Attorney Docket No. 129843-1022. Please credit any overpayments to this same Deposit Account

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Respectfully submitted,

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